

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor  
Party and Joe Atkins, as treasurer

MUR 5349

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT #2

I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED

Accept the attached conciliation agreement and close the file.

II. BACKGROUND

This matter was initiated by a Complaint filed with the Federal Election Commission (the "Commission") by the Republican Party of Minnesota and the Commission, pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out the Commission's supervisory responsibilities. See 2 U.S.C. §§ 437g(a)(1) and (2). On August 4, 2004, the Commission found reason to believe the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor House Caucus and Paul Rogosheske as treasurer (the "Caucus") violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(a), 441a(f), 441b and 11 C.F.R. § 102.5(a). The Commission also agreed to enter into conciliation with the Caucus prior to a finding of probable cause to believe and approved a conciliation agreement.

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Therefore, this Office recommends that the Commission accept the agreement and close the file.

#### IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

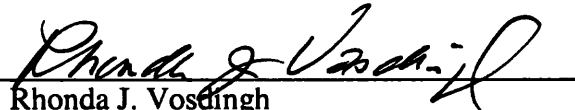
1. Accept the attached conciliation agreement with the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor House and Joe Atkins, as treasurer;
2. Approve the appropriate letters; and
3. Close the file.


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Attachment:

1. Signed conciliation agreement